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TO:

Each Health Deputy

FROM:

John Viernes, Jr., Director-

Alcohol and Drug Program Administration

SUBJECT:

FUNDING AUGMENTATION FOR ALTAMED, CONTRACT NO. PH-000380

This is to inform you that we plan to amend the County estimated maximum obligation and corresponding maximum allocation for Altamed using the delegated authority granted by the Board on June 10, 2008 (Board Agenda Synopsis #31). This agency's agreement provides flexibility to adjust funding allocations, and contains provisions that authorize the Director of Public Health or his designee to make such funding changes.

I am recommending this funding increase based on the Sobky v. Smoley court litigation which allowed agencies to request additional funds to cover persons eligible for Drug/Medi-Cal services. The current and proposed funding amounts are as indicated in the following attachments:

Attachment 1 - Description of the services affected by this amendment Attachment 2 - Agency's current and proposed funding amounts

If you have any questions or need additional information, please let me know.

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Attachments

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## Drug/Medi-Cal Services - Description

## Narcotic Treatment Program Services (Federal Drug/Medi-Cal)

Narcotic treatment program services provide for the administration of methadone and/or levoalphacetylmethadol, at relatively stable dosage levels for a period in excess of 21 days, as an oral substitute narcotic drug accompanied by ancillary social and medical services for individuals 18 years or older who have a history of two or more years of dependence on heroin or other morphine-like drugs, and two or more failures in alternative treatment programs. Services are provided to Medi-Cal eligible beneficiaries.

## ALTAMED FUNDING INFORMATION

ATTACHMENT 2

							Current	Proposed	
						Original	Funding	Funding	
						Board-Approved	Allocation	Allocation	
Contract #	Fac # Site Address	<b>SPA</b>	SUP	Modality Desc	Modality	Amount	FY 2008-11	FY 2008-11	<u>Variance</u>
PH-000380A	1 1701 Zonal Avenue Los Angeles CA 90033	4	1	Narcotic Treatment Program Services (Federal Drug/Medi-Cal)	NTP (DMC)	\$517,814	\$517,814	\$688,730	\$170,916